

***IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE***

Applicant: Hiroaki ITO et al.  
Title: A PREVENTIVE OR  
THERAPEUTIC AGENT FOR  
INFLAMMATORY BOWEL  
DISEASE COMPRISING IL-6  
ANTAGONIST AS AN ACTIVE  
INGREDIENT  
Appl. No.: 10/677,227  
Filing Date: 10/3/2003  
Examiner: Prema Maria MERTZ  
Art Unit: 1646  
Confirmation Number: 8597

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions the Commissioner under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for a three-month extension of time for response in the above-identified application for the period required to make the attached response timely.

The extension fee for response within the third month is \$1,020.00. A credit card payment form for this amount is enclosed herewith.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to

Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Respectfully submitted,

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